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BEFORE THE POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

TRANSFERRING SELECTED POST OFFICE BOX DOCKET NO. MC2011-25 SERVICE LOCATIONS TO THE COMPETITIVE PRODUCT LIST

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Today the Commission filed Information Request No. 1 in this Docket. One of the requests refers to a five-mile rule. This rule requires clarification and I request that the Commission request clarification from the Postal Service.

If I understand the five-mile rule, confirm the following:

Assume that a PMB is located fifteen miles south of a post office. Assume further that this post office has delivery routes that cover a circular area with a ten-mile radius of the post office. Also assume that there is a single customer of the post office that is ten miles south of the post office and just within the five mile north radius of the PMB.

It would appear that this post office would meet the five mile rule even though there is only a SINGLE customer that is within five miles of the PMB and those customers who are north of the post office could be 25 miles from the PMB. This condition does not appear to warrant conversion of this post office.

The service area of the post office that is being converted should be significant fraction of that post office's service area.

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